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[Despatch Abstract.]

PUBLIC SERVICES - Madras Public Health Service

First Class Health Officers - Appointment - Representations from the Honorary Secretary, Second class Health Officers Association - Orders Passed.

From
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Hon. Secretary, II Class Health Officers Association,
& Municipal Health Officer, Devakottai.

To
The Secretary to Government,
Education and Public Health Department,
Madras.

Through
The Director of Public Health,
Egmore, Madras.

Sir,

Sub: Establishment - Public Health - II Class Health Officers - promotion to I class cadre - proportion increase of - requested.

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The Government after due consideration in their G.O. No. 630 dated 14-6-'34 reserved every third vacancy in the cadre of I class Health Officers for promotion from amongst II class Health Officers with 15 years service according to seniority. At that time, none of II class Health Officers had put in 15 years of service contemplated under the G.O.

When war broke out in 1939, some of the II Class Health Officers offered themselves for war service, But the chances of serving in the war was denied for no fault or lack of zeal of the II class Health Officers, but only due to exigencies of service in the civil department except in one case. But a number of vacancies in the I class cadre arose during this period and the II class Health Officers agitated for the relaxation of the percentage fixed in G.O. No. 1093, Public Health, dated 24-3-1942. They were told that relaxation was not possible but appointment in the said I class cadre from among II class Health officers would be made under 9(a) (Please vide G.O. No. 3841, Public Health, dated 14.12.42) But in actual practice even the appointment under 9(a) did not go to II Class Health Officers except in two instances, for the reason that nobody was available to fill up the vacancies in the II Class cadre. Thus the II Class Health Officers were denied not only opportunity of rendering war service and deriving service benefits therefrom, but also promotions to I Class cadre under 9(a) which would have made them eligible for absorption as I Class Health Officers having held the I Class Places during the period of War.

Having been thus deprived of all chances for permanent promotion of II Class of Health Officers for the vacancies which existed during the period of war, unlike the case of Sub Assistant Surgeons in the Medical Department, it is unfari to separate the Public Health Department from the civil services (war personnel) recruitment rules under which it was coming even in the amended rules of 1943 and deny the right open to persons already in service. This is quite against the principles enunciated by the Government in G.O. No. 752 dated 16-4-1941, wherein it is laid down that Govt should the concessions to the persons, who have rendered war service are fair to those persons already in Government service, who

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have ~~rendered war service are fair~~ to opportunity of rendering war service. In G.O. No. 2843 Public (Services) dated 26th August 1944 the Government have recognised the reasonableness of grievances of persons whose right had been deprived. But the members in service in the Public Health Department have been actually deprived of the rights by G.O. No. 839, Public (Services) dated 5-4-1946.

Further the candidate without public Health qualifications entertained in emgergency were taken in as a temporary measure and they cannot be retained permanently. They do not possess the necessary Public Health Qualification to hold the posts of Health Officers. If the Bhore Committee had recommended that Public Health qualifications are not nedessary to hold the post of Health Officers, the medical education in view of the Bhore Committee is different from the medical education undergone by the existing medical men. The Bhore Committee envisages the teaching of Public Health subjects now taught in the B.S.Sc. or the Diploma in Public Health classes in the regular course for medical graduates and post-graduate study in particular Public Health subjects for specialised jobs. When in the case of recruitment of war personnel, the candidates are required to pass the B.S.Sc. degree within 4 years, these candidates also must be required to do so.

Thee Association protests strongly against the recruitment of a large number of war returned personnel and of persons without any public Health qualifications for the posts for which persons in service had already been agitating and are fit to be promoted.

The Association therefore prays that the 1945 Public (Services) Public Health recruitment rules issued in G.O. No. 839 dated 5-4-1946 should not be applied to us and we should be made to come under Madras Civil-Service (War-Service Personnel) ~~made to come under~~ recruitment rules 1941 as we were coming before 1946. The claims of licentiates with experienceand liability should not be overlooked. The partiality shown to medical graduates in the public Health Department and the continued injustice done to licentiates in the advisory Regime by interested persons should stop when National Government is in power.

2. that the fight of persons who volunteered for war service when their position in service was not stable should be counted in the number of posts reserved for war personnel and if this number exceeds the number reserved for war personnel, the excess number may be recruited according to rules applicable.

3. that the persons without public Health qualifications appointed during emergency should be ousted, if they fail to qualify for the B.S.Sc. degree or L.P.H. diploma within 4 years after entertainment.

4. that the benovelent Government should regognise the proportion (i.e.) (33 1/3 % decided by Government for appointment by transfer of the II class Health Officers without degree qualifications in G.O. No. Ms. 2862, Public Health dated 22.8.47) in which men in service should be promoted to the I class cadre and that till such proportion is reached no other than licentiates should be promoted.

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5. In conclusion, this Association earnestly prays that Permission may be kindly granted to the following Committee members to wait on deputation on the Public Health Minister to represent our case in detail and to clarify any doubts that may arise in the matters detailed above.

Dr. K. Koman Nair or Dr. Joseph or Dr. N.A. Sundarajalu Naidu.
Dr. A.V. Somasundaram or Dr. P. Narayana Reddy.
Dr. P. M. Krishna badar or Dr. B. Pattibirama Reddy.
Dr. A. Mohan Rao.

I beg to remain,
sir,

Your most obedient servant.

(Sd) . . . . . .
4.10.47.
Hon. Secretary, The Madras
II Class Health Officers Association.

Devakottai.
4.10.47.

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Read the following:

From the Hony. Secretary II Class Health Officer's , Letl Association, Letter dated 4.10.1947 and 29-10-47.

From the Director of Public Health R.No. 70856-2E1/47- dated 13.11.47.

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O R D E R:

The Director of Public Health is requested to inform the Honorary Secretary, Second Class Health Officers Association that the Government have considered the representations made by him and that they are unable to comply with his requests. As regards the appointment of First Class Health Officers by Transfer of second class Health Officers without the B.S.Sc. degree, the Honorary, Secretary may be informed that such appointment will be made in accordance with rule 3(c) of the special Rules for the Madras Public Health Service as amended in G.O. No. 3285 Public Health dated 29-9-1947.

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4.2.48.

To
The Director of Public Health Department.

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